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For: RIGID FABRIC SCULPTURE AND METHOD OF MAKING

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action of July 2, 2003, Applicant hereby requests reconsideration of the claims as amended below. Claims \_\_\_\_ have been amended and claims \_\_\_\_\_ have been added.

1. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture comprising: forming a temporary support structure; supporting at least one fabric element on said temporary support structure; molding said fabric element in a desired configuration; applying a decorative resin to said fabric element; allowing said decorative resin to dry and harden; and sanding said decorative resin.
2. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of applying a polyurethane coating over said decorative resin.
3. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of applying a relatively non-adhesive material over said temporary support structure.
4. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 2, wherein said temporary support structure is removed from said rigid fabric sculpture after said decorative resin has hardened.
5. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 1, further comprising the step of applying a second coat of decorative resin.
6. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 5, further comprising the step of fine sanding said second coat of decorative resin.
7. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim 6, further comprising the step of applying a polyurethane coating over said decorative resin.
8. (withdrawn) A method of making a rigid fabric sculpture comprising: forming a temporary support structure; supporting at least one fabric element on said temporary support structure; molding said fabric element in a desired configuration; applying a decorative resin to an outer surface of said fabric element; allowing said decorative resin

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Proposed Claims:

13.) (currently amended) A rigid and waterproof fabric sculpture comprising an article of recycled clothing impregnated with an epoxy resin.

13.) (currently amended) A rigid and waterproof fabric sculpture comprising a three-dimensional fabric element impregnated with an epoxy decorative resin and having a sanded surface.

13.) (currently amended) A rigid and waterproof fabric sculpture comprising a three-dimensional fabric element impregnated with an epoxy decorative resin and having a layer of polyurethane coating immediately adjacent to the epoxy decorative resin.

13.) (currently amended) A rigid and waterproof fabric sculpture comprising a three-dimensional fabric element impregnated with an epoxy decorative resin, said epoxy decorative resin forming a layer on an outer surface of said waterproof fabric sculpture, said decorative resin having a sanded surface and having a layer of polyurethane coating immediately adjacent to the layer of epoxy decorative resin.

Other dependent claim options (claims 14 and higher):

A rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim \_\_\_, wherein said decorative resin is substantially clear.

A rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim \_\_\_, wherein said three-dimensional fabric element comprises an article of clothing.

A rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim \_\_\_, wherein said article of clothing is recycled from used clothing.

A rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim \_\_\_, wherein said out surface of said rigid fabric sculpture has a substantially glossy appearance.

A rigid fabric sculpture, as recited in claim \_\_\_, wherein said sculpture has a substantially hollow interior.